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Hi Bill,

As promised during the telconf with Executive Dooley today, I'm attaching EPA's Friday press release and Republic's Friday press release.

Thanks for scheduling today's call during this busy time for County government. Please call me if Executive Dooley has questions about the project.

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Subject: RE: Republic Press Release Installing Isolation Barrier

Hi Audrey,

Thx for forwarding. After talking with Mark, Ron, CT, I have a specific ask for you in the next phase of this project.

St Louis Airport (SLAP): they will be crucial players; may need easement amendments; will need updated bird mitigation plan. Please reach out to SLAP counsel and Republic counsel (order is your call) to start outlining what SLAP needs, the best methods of getting them together with Republic's counsel.

Objective: know early on when and how Republic will interact with SLAP so the legal issues connected with Airport's position are known and a process in place to get agreements so Republic can have that part of their planning process settled well before mid-late fall.

Please update me at least weekly on status of this part of our effort.

thx

Karl Brooks

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From: Asher, Audrey

Sent: Monday, September 23, 2013 8:38 AM
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Sent: Friday, September 20, 2013 7:26 PM
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Cc: Beck, Bill (LG)
Subject: Fwd: Installing Isolation Barrier Good evening Audrey,

Following up on our discussion I wanted to share the email below, which mirrors the press release issued by the company.

We appreciate your time on our call today and look forward to continuing to work with you on continued progress.

Have a nice weekend,

Jessie

Begin forwarded message:

From: Bridgeton Landfill LLC <Communications@BridgetonLandfill.com>
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BRIDGETON LANDFILL, LLC ANNOUNCES PLAN TO INSTALL CAPPING OVER NORTH QUARRY AND ISOLATION BARRIER BETWEEN BRIDGETON LANDFILL AND WEST LAKE LANDFILL

Barrier Creates Permanent Separation Between Bridgeton and West Lake Landfills **BRIDGETON, MO (Sept. 20, 2013)** – Bridgeton Landfill, LLC today announced that after months of careful planning and preparation, it is ready to begin installation of additional upgrades and remediation to the Bridgeton Landfill, including the installation of an isolation barrier between the Bridgeton and West Lake Landfills. With today's announcement Bridgeton Landfill is seeking to move beyond the North Quarry Contingency Plan that the Landfill has been negotiating with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MDNR), the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Missouri Attorney General, by initiating response actions without the Contingency Plan's triggers having been met.

The isolation barrier will ensure that the subsurface smoldering event, located in the South Quarry at the Bridgeton Landfill, will never come into contact with the low-level, radiologically impacted material buried over 1,200 feet away in the neighboring West Lake Landfill. In addition to the isolation barrier, the Landfill will also complete the following in the North Quarry of Bridgeton Landfill: · expand and enhance the gas system,

- install an Ethylene Vinyl Alcohol (EVOH) cap over the entire North Quarry, and
- install collection surface trenches that allow for liquid and gas collection under the cap.

Richard Callow, company spokesperson, stated, “Bridgeton Landfill is electing to take these additional actions because it is a responsible company that cares for its more than 300 local employees, their families and the entire Bridgeton community. For far too long, fears of an unlikely unknown have concerned our community, and today we are taking action so that our neighbors and concerned citizens can rest assured that they are safe.”

Bridgeton Landfill, LLC has been working on North Quarry improvements for months as a project of this magnitude takes time and planning. The Landfill has been and will continue working with the EPA, MDNR and the Missouri Attorney General to secure proper permitting and approvals. The EPA will be the primary agency to oversee the construction of the isolation barrier, with involvement throughout the process by Attorney General Koster and MDNR. MDNR will continue its oversight of the permitted landfill area which contains Bridgeton Landfill, including the gas system expansion and capping.

It is anticipated that the gas system improvements will begin in the near future and will last approximately six weeks. Once those are completed, the EVOH cap will be installed over the North Quarry. The isolation barrier will be constructed concurrently, pending additional site investigation which will begin shortly now that authorization has been received. None of the work is expected to increase odors in the community and the remediation project is weather permitting. ###

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EPA Region 7 Comments on Republic Services' Intentions to Build Isolation Barrier at West Lake Landfill Superfund Site

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Environmental News

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

(Lenexa, Kan., September 20, 2013) – EPA Region 7 is welcoming a proposal by Republic Services, Inc., to construct an in-ground isolation barrier at the West Lake Landfill Superfund Site in Bridgeton, Mo., Regional Administrator Karl Brooks said today.

Although EPA has not yet seen any formal, detailed work plans that would outline the construction of such a barrier, the Agency learned yesterday that Republic Services intends to announce soon that it will commit to the project. The barrier is intended to separate Bridgeton Landfill, which Republic Services manages, from the radiation-contaminated material stored at the West Lake Landfill Site, which EPA oversees.

"We are pleased that Republic Services has stated its intentions to move ahead of the monitoring work that is required by its agreement with the State of Missouri, and take this significant, positive and protective step," EPA Regional Administrator Brooks said.

On May 14, 2013, Missouri Attorney General Kris Koster announced that his office had negotiated a legal order with Republic Services, requiring the company to take a series of steps to contain and control odorous gases at the Bridgeton Landfill, address the underground smoldering, and provide temporary relocation assistance to local residents affected by the odors. The state's order also requires Republic Services to compensate the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) for its costs related to environmental sampling and monitoring. The action was brought under the state's legal authority to regulate Republic Services' operation of the Bridgeton Landfill.

"EPA Region 7 has been in regular communication with the Missouri Attorney General, MDNR and Republic Services about our concerns associated with the smoldering at Bridgeton, and how it cannot be allowed to impact the material at West Lake," Brooks said. "Proactively, we have tasked science and engineering experts at our national and headquarters levels to join our staff in finding solutions to the problem, and they will be joining us in the review of any formal plan for an isolation barrier that Republic Services may put forward."

EPA Region 7 will continue to oversee a separate and ongoing supplemental environmental investigation, focusing on groundwater sampling, radiation sampling, and more detailed site characterization at West Lake Landfill. That investigation ultimately will inform the Agency's work as it develops an amended Record of Decision, which will outline a final remedy for the site.

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Learn more about EPA Region 7's work at the West Lake Landfill Superfund Site:
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